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SUBJ: MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT ON FOOD SYSTEMS

REF: STATE 296744 (1975)

1. POST NOMINATES FOR SUBJECT PROJECT, MALAM (MR.) ANGO ABDULIAHI,
DEPUTY DIRECTOR, INSTITUTE FOR AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, ABU, ZARIA.

2. BIODATA FOLLOWS:

FULL NAME : MALAM ANGO ABDULIAHI
PRESENT POSITION : DEPUTY DIRECTOR, INSTITUTE FOR AGRICULTURAL
RESEARCH, AHMADU BELLO UNIVERSITY, ZAIRA
DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES: ASSISTS DIRECTOR IN PLANNING RESEARCH AND DAY
TO DAY ADMINISTRATION.
PAST POSITIONS : SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOW (AGRONOMIST) INSTITUTE OF
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, AHMADU BELLO UNIVERSITY
RESEARCH FELLOW (AGRONOMIST) 1968-73;
EXTENSION SPECIALIST (AGRONOMIST) 1964-68.
\$-53 & PLACE OF BIRTH: [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 1 AUG 2013], NIGERIA
PRESENT CITIZENSHIP : NIGERIA; NONE PREVIOUS
PREVIOUS TRAVEL TO THE US : GRADUATE STUDY 1966-68 AND
COURSE-WORK STUDY 1971
PREVIOUS TRAVEL TO OTHER COUNTRIES: SUDAN 1965, ENGLAND 1966,
1968, 1974; SENEGAL, MALI, BRAZIL, 1970, 1975.

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PREVIOUS USG GRANT: USAID PARTICIPANT TRAINING: KANSAS STATE

UNIVERSITY, AUGUST 1966 - JAN 1968, M.S. CROP
PRODUCTION

VISA ELIGIBILITY: NAMECHECK SATISFACTORY, VISA ELIGIBLE
REASONS FOR NOMINATION: DR. ABDULAH I IS PERSONABLE, CAPABLE
AND BROAD-GAUGED YOUNG MAN WITH EXCELLENT
TECHNICAL/PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN AGRONOMY. HE WORKED TWO YEARS
AS COMMISSIONER FOR ECONOMIC PLANNING IN NORTH CENTRAL STATE,
GIVING HIM EXPERIENCE IN BROADER ASPECTS OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT.
PRESENTLY DEPUTY DIRECTOR, HE IS EXPECTED TO BECOME FIRST NIGERIAN
DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTE FOR AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AT ABU, ONE OF TOP
RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS OF COUNTRY.
OBJECTIVES OF US VISIT: ALTHOUGH HE HAS VISITED U.S. BEFORE
ABDULAH I'S SELECTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS
MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT WOULD SUPPORT COUNTRY OBJECTIVES I, III AND
IV AND COMPLEMENT OTHER CU AND AID PROJECTS IN THIS IMPORTANT
AREA. HIS EXPOSURE TO PRINCIPLES/PERSONALITIES AND ENSUING
EXCHANGE OF IDEAS AS DESCRIBED PARA. 1 REFTEL COULD NOT BUT HELP
HIM BETTER PREPARE FOR EVENTUAL TAKEOVER OF INSTITUTE AT ZARIA. THE
CONTACTS THAT HE WOULD MAKE AS PARTICIPANT WOULD DEFINITELY ENHANCE
RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN LEADERS OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES IN THIS FIELD
AND MAY FACILITATE FUTURE EXCHANGES. AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND LATER
DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTE, ABDULAH I WOULD BE IN EXCELLENT POSITION TO
SHARE WHAT HE LEARNS WITH NIGERIAN COLLEAGUES AS WELL AS FOLLOWUP
ON ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE EXCHANGES, COMMERCIAL OR
AGRICULTURAL PROJECTS.

AVAILABILITY FOR US VISIT: JUNE 13, 1976

3. ALTERNATE: MR. JOHN MANDOM KUM
PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL OFFICER (PLANNING)
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE
JOS

MR. IMRANA YAZIDU
EXTENSION RESEARCH LIAISON SERVICE
AHMADU BELLO UNIVERSITY
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